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SUBJ: COURTESY LETTERS FOLLOWING SECRETARY RICHARDSON'S  
VISIT

1. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT SECRETARY RICHARDSON SEND TWO  
COURTESY LETTERS TO FOREIGN TRADE SECRETARY LUDVIGER, ONE  
EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO HIM ON BEHALF OF U.S. DELEGATION  
FOR HOSTING VISIT AND ANOTHER THANKING HIM FOR HIS GIFTS.  
IT IS NOT THE CUSTOM TO MAKE BOTH EXPRESSIONS IN ONE  
LETTER. MRS. RICHARDSON MAY ALSO  
WISH TO SEND A COURTESY LETTER TO MRS. FILIP BABIC, WIFE  
OF THE UNDERSECRETARY IN THE FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY, FOR  
ACCOMPANYING HER ON THE TOUR OF BELGRADE. PROPOSED TEXTS  
OF ALL THREE LETTERS FOLLOW BELOW:

2. LETTER FROM SECRETARY RICHARDSON TO SECRETARY LUDVIGER  
ON BEHALF OF U.S. DELEGATION:

ADDRESS:

HIS EXCELLENCY

DR. EMIL LUDVIGER

SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN TRADE

SECRETARIAT FOR FOREIGN TRADE

KNEZA MILOSA 26

11000 BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA

DEAR MR. SECRETARY:

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ON BEHALF OF MRS. RICHARDSON AND OUR ENTIRE DELEGATION  
I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR HOSTING OUR VISIT TO BELGRADE.  
THE GENEROUS HOSPITALITY WHICH YOU AND YOUR ASSOCIATES  
EXTENDED ALL OF US WAS MOST WELCOMED AND APPRECIATED.  
MRS. RICHARDSON AND I WERE ESPECIALLY GRATIFIED AT BEING  
INVITED TO THE NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION AND HAVING THE  
OPPORTUNITY OF PERSONALLY EXTENDING BEST WISHES TO  
PRESIDENT TITO.

MY COLLEAGUES AND I BELIEVE THAT THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH  
WE HAD IN BELGRADE WERE CONSTRUCTIVE AND FEEL CONFIDENT  
THAT THEY HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE STRENGTHENING  
US-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS.

WE RETURNED TO AMERICA WITH WARM MEMORIES OF OUR VISIT  
TO YOUR BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY AND ONLY REGRET THAT  
WE COULD NOT EXTEND OUR STAY.

BEST WISHES,

3. LETTER FROM SECRETARY RICHARDSON THANKING SECRETARY  
LUDVIGER FOR GIFTS:

DEAR MR. SECRETARY:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF.....WHICH WAS RECEIVED  
DURING OUR RECENT TRIP TO YUGOSLAVIA. YOUR THOUGHT-  
FULNESS MADE OUR STAY ALL THE MORE PLEASANT AND  
MEMORABLE.

SINCEREPA,

4. LETTER FROM MRS. RICHARDSON TO MRS. BABIC:

ADDRESS: MRS. FILIP BABIC  
C/O MR. FILIP BABIC  
SECRETARIAT FOR FOREIGN TRADE  
KNEZA MILOSA 26  
11000 BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA

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DEAR MRS. BABIC:

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MANY COURTESIES WHICH YOU  
EXTENDED TO ME ON OUR RECENT TRIP  
TO YUGOSLAVIA. IT WAS MOST KIND OF YOU TO ACCOMPANY  
OUR GROUP TO KALEMEGDAN, THE MODERN ART MUSEUM AND OTHER  
INTERESTING SIGHTS OF YOUR CULTURALLY RICH CITY AS WELL  
AS TO THE UNIQUE ARTIST VILLAGE OF UZDIN.

OUR STAY IN BELGRADE WAS A MEMORABLE ONE. WE  
LOOK FORWARD TO RETURNING.

SINCERE BEST WISHES,

SILBERMAN

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